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Applicant:	WEI ET AL.	Examiner:	UNKNOWN
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Title:	BINDING AGENT FOR SOLID BLOCK FUNCTIONAL MATERIAL		

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b))**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 or a CPA under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d). Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

A copy of any foreign patent document or "Other Document" listed on the Form 1449 is enclosed, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2)

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the Office Actions and Notices of Allowances listed on the Form 1449, even if the Examiner determines that they should not be listed on the face of the patent. Submission of Office Actions and Notices of Allowances was recommended by the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. McKesson Information Solutions, Inc. v. Bridge Medical, Inc. \_\_\_ F3d. \_\_\_ [2006-1517] (Fed. Cir., May 18, 2007).

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reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

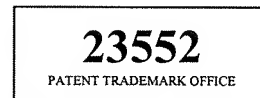
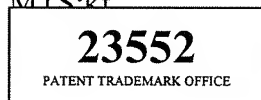
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
	DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)						
		Office Action mailed 06/11/1998 from U.S. Patent Application 08/781,493				
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